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REMARKS

The Office Action mailed November 5, 2003, has been received and reviewed. By the present Response and Amendment, Claims 23 and 24 are amended. No new matter has been introduced.

Claims 23 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is believed to be overcome by the present amendments to Claims 23 and 24, which now make clear that the specified arrays of at least two display panels comprise the specified underlying and overlying display panels.

Claims 23 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Engel et al. '665. Applicant respectfully traverses. Engel et al discloses a book for teaching children letters and numbers, whereas the present invention is directed to a display device. Moreover, even if the pages of the Engel et al book including the letters J, A, S, O and N (see Fig. 2) were considered a "first array", and the pages including the letters C, L, A, R and K were considered a "second array", as suggested by the Examiner, when the "first array" of pages was turned from the right-hand side of the binding to the left-hand side, only the back of the topmost page (the "N" page) of the first array would be visible. Thus, no material displayed on an underlying panel of the "first array" would be visible beyond an edge of an overlying panel.

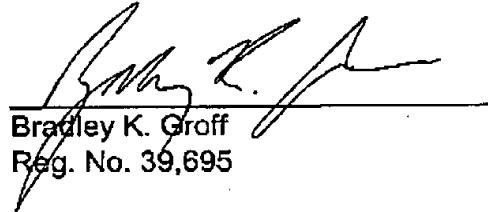
The present invention is further distinguished from the art of record by the present amendments, which more clearly specify that the display panels are "pivotally" mounted to the rack, and that the material displayed on the panels is a "floor covering material". The art of record nowhere discloses or suggests this presently-claimed combination of features.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments submitted herein and the above comments, it is believed that all grounds of rejection are overcome and that the application has now been placed in full condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant earnestly solicits early and favorable action. Should there be any further questions or reservations, the Examiner is urged to telephone Applicant's undersigned attorney at (770) 984-2300.

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